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A well-equipped Livery Stable is run in connection with the Mt. Hamilton Stage Co. and furnishes first-class conveyances of all sizes at reasonable rates and on short notice.

Santa Clara County, famous the world over for its good roads, lovely homes and flowering orchards, has innumerable beautiful drives, among which are the following:

The Lick Observatory

27 MILES

Tourists visiting California and Californians visiting San Jose should avail themselves of the opportunity offered for a visit to the Great Lick Observatory on the summit of Mt. Hamilton. At the Observatory, the astronomers in charge are courteous and instruct visitors in the purpose and use of the different instruments.

The smooth graded road, built by Santa Clara County at an expense of $100,000, and pronounced by all to be the best mountain road in the world, makes it possible for INVALIDS and ELDERLY PEOPLE to make the trip without fatigue.

The conveyances of the Mt. Hamilton Stage Co. were made to be used for this particular road and with especial regard for the comfort of passengers.

The horses, making daily trips, are familiar with all the turns in the road, while the drivers are experienced, careful and courteous.

Coaches leave daily, except Sunday, at 7:30 A. M., and, returning, arrive in San Jose about 6:30 P. M. Fare, round trip, $4.00. Special coaches for the Saturday night trip leave San Jose on Saturdays at 12:30 noon, returning the same night. Fare, round trip, $5.00.

Special parties can secure private conveyances with change of horses at all times.

Beautiful City Drive

10 MILES

Hall of Records; Court House; City Park; St. Joseph's Catholic Church (one of the oldest in the State), U. S. Post Office Building; City Hall; Washington Square, where are situated the fine buildings of the State Normal School, San Jose High School and Carnegie Library; St. Claire Club House; Convent of Notre Dame (largest and best girl's college in California); the University of the Pacific at College Park (the oldest Methodist College in the West) situated in its own natural park and surrounded by pretty homes; and the principal business and resident sections.

Alum Rock Park & Mineral Springs

A 17 MILE DRIVE

A beautiful drive through one of the finest olive orchards in the State, known as the Pala Rosa. This orchard covers 75 acres and is in itself sufficient attraction for the trip to those who have never seen the trees, which were introduced from Spain by the padres hundreds of years ago.

On the road lies one of the largest, if not the largest, meteors in the world, its estimated weight being two thousand tons. It may be plainly seen from the carriage.

The variety of the mineral waters in Alum Rock Canyon is remarkable. There are hot and cold sulphur, soda and magnesia springs, as well as mixtures of sulphur, soda, magnesia, arsenic, iron, etc., and their sulphates, all of which are unequalled for their strength and beneficial effects. The flow of water from all of these springs is plentiful so that natural hot water baths may be supplied from nearly all of them.

There are private sulphur, Turkish and common tub baths, with plunges for ladies

and gentlemen. Here may be found, also, the largest public sulphur swimming bath in the United States, an immense plunge roofed with glass and filled with natural sulphur water at ninety degrees Fahrenheit, piped directly into the tank from numerous tunnels in the nearby mountains.

Los Gatos, Saratoga & Congress Springs

A 20 MILE DRIVE

A beautiful orchard and vineyard drive through valley and foothills with several extensive views of San Francisco Bay and the entire Santa Clara Valley. A nice place to take luncheon; go in the morning and come back in the afternoon. Congress Springs is famous for its congress water and picnic grounds.

Stanford University & Stock Farm at Palo Alto

18 miles through orchards and oaks.

Willows, Campbells & Mrs. Winchester's

A 14 MILE DRIVE

Drive through the great fruit growing section and stop at the Santa Clara County Fruit Exchange where you may see the various kinds of fruit ready for market and learn about the greatest industry of this valley; thence by Dry Creek Road and Willows to Campbells, the center of the fruit drying business, and home by the celebrated residence of Mrs. S. L. Winchester (of the Winchester Rifle), one of the most elaborate and costly country residences in America.

New Almaden Quicksilver Mines

A 25 MILE DRIVE

At one time the most extensive quicksilver mines in the world. These mines have 86 miles of underground tunnels and the side of the mountain is a regular honeycomb. The reduction works can be visited and are very interesting, as the process of quicksilver reduction is different from any other kind of smelting.

Flickinger's Orchard Cannery,

Berryessa and Milpitas

A 16 MILE DRIVE

One of the largest and most extensive fruit orchards and canneries in the world. Visitors always welcomed and shown the most modern process of putting up choice canned fruit. After leaving Flickinger's drive through orchards to Berryessa and then through orchards, stock and grain ranches to Milpitas and from Milpitas home over the San Jose and Oakland turnpike road through the artesian belt of vegatable and nursery farms.

Alviso & Agnews

A 20 Mile Drive

Alviso, 9 miles, the head of San Francisco Bay ; fishing, hunting, yachting, etc.

Agnews, 7 miles; State Insane Asylum where 1700 patients are confined.

The Alameda and Santa Clara Mission

A 12 MILE DRIVE

West San Jose, the Alameda and the historic little town of Santa Clara, originally intended to be the metropolis of the valley will furnish a most interesting drive.

Some three miles in length stretches the Alameda, a beautiful winding avenue, laid out more than a hundred years ago by the mission fathers, the only road between Mission Santa Clara and San Jose, and now it is lined with handsome residences.

The old Mission of Santa Clara is well worth a visit. Built in 1776; within it is as the Indians built it under the direction of the padres, who labored also with their hands, and its frescoes and other decorations do credit to those who executed them.

At Santa Clara is the famous Jesuit College, the Santa Clara College, whose buildings occupy several acres on the land of the old mission, and which should not be missed. Here the stranger will be greeted by courteous priests, ever ready to receive the visitor; who will guide him through

the buildings and grounds, showing him books yellow with age, brought from Spain when the mission was young, and numerous relics and objects of interest, the like of which can be seen only about an old mission.

In Santa Clara are homes that once sheltered Spanish grandees and their households, occupied some of them, and falling into decay, but vine covered and filled with romantic interest. The Dons and Alcaldes once made the little town as gay as it is now quiet, and romance centers about its ancient families and holds the interest of the visitor within it boundries. About 2 hours drive.

Linda Vista Golf Links

4 miles on Alum Rock Road. One of the finest golf courses in California. Elegant club house. Tickets can be had at Hotel Vendome Office.

Numerous Other Drives

In every direction over well sprinkled roads and through well cultivated orchards and vineyards.

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Visit Santa Clara Valley Improvement Club, 34 West San Fernando Street and secure information and literature of the County you ought to live in.

Hotel Vendome

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

One of the finest hotels in California is Hotel Vendome. It is conveniently situated to all avenues of travel and only a few blocks north of the main railway station. There are three hundred guest rooms in the hotel, mostly en suite, supplied with gas, electric light, bath, fire places, heaters, and all modern conveniences. The hotel was this winter refurnished throughout and a large and imposing annex has been built and will be ready for the guests in January. The table service is excellent and no seasonable delicacy is missing from the menu. The hotel grounds are picturesque and beautiful. The giant live oak, maple, redwood, pepper, fig, elm and many flowers invite a welcome to the tourist. Hotel Vendome is the starting place for visitors to Mt. Hamilton and other points of interest.

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